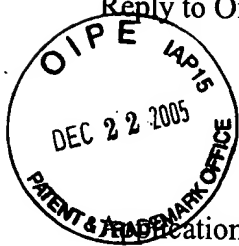


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.